(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present, there is no such proposal under consideration.

Quota for locals in job

1982. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increasing demand for quota for "locals" in job in the Railways;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the policy of the Government thereon; and

(d) the details there of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Direct recruitment to Group 'C and 'D' posts on the Railways are made by selection through Railway Recruitment Boards. The vacancies are given wide publicity including publication in the Employment News etc. and all those who apply against such notifications are considered for recruitment on the Railways. This procedure is in conformity with the Constitutional provisions regarding equality in opportunity to all in the matter of employment under the Central and the guidelines issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (which is the nodal Department), pursuant to directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Doubling of rail line in Gujarat

1983. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to double the railway line in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) to (c) The work of 3rd line from